## PATENT APPLICATION IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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## RESPONSE TO THE FIRST OFFICE ACTION SUBMITTED UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

## **Introductory Comments**

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In response to the Office Action dated 6 January 2010, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the accompanying remarks.

It is believed that this submission is filed within the shortened statutory period for response and therefore no fee is due. However, if this is in error, please provide any extensions of time that may be necessary and charge any fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 05-0840.

In this Submission:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8.